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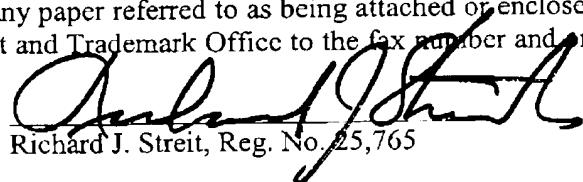
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2003, setting a 3-month shortened statutory period for a reply ending on June 24, 2003, Applicants submit the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. This amendment is considered to place the application in better condition for allowance.

Also enclosed is the Request for Two-Month Extension of Time, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge \$410.00 to Deposit Account No. 12-0400 to cover the fee for the

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extension. No other fee is believed to be required, but, if this is not the case, please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to the same Deposit Account No. 12-0400.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this paper, and the replacement sheet of the Abstract is attached as an Appendix below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the Abstract on a separate sheet is attached following the last page of this paper.